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The Fight for Preparedness.

As matters stand, the fight for preparedness is in very promising shape. It is not, of course, won. Much remains to be done, and should be done with diligence. Likewise it should be done with care. All speculation about the amount that should be expended and in what lines contains more or less embarrassment for the cause. Nothing is known as yet as to what either the army experts or the navy experts have recommended or will recommend to Secretary Garrison in the one case and to Secretary Daniels in the other, or as to how the recommendations of his cabinet advisers will influence the President. Until that is known we shall be dealing in generalities.

The pacifists put forward two contentions. They charge, first, that such preparedness as is contemplated by its advocates would saddle the government with an enormous debt, and bring about both militarism and navalism when the people neither desire nor need either. Taxes are already heavy enough, and Europe is a warning against the possession of a big fighting machine.

The second contention is that until the war in Europe is over it will not be possible to appraise what implements have justified themselves or what have failed. If we are to discard old things we should be sure they are of no further use. If we are to invest in new things we should be sure of their value. Wait awhile. Let us see the outcome of a struggle which has developed both new aggressives and new defenses, and set both old soldiers and old sailors to guessing.

The policy of preparedness aims at neither militarism nor navalism. Neither does it comprehend an enormous expenditure of money at any one time. It is not a get-ready-quick, do-it-all-at-once proposition. It could not be. Neither armies nor navies are made in a day, or a year. Training and building are necessarily slow processes.

The present Congress will meet the emergency and respond to a most substantial public sentiment if it inaugurates a policy and gives it the right start having for its object increasing the army and the navy to the proportions called for by the size of the country, the extent of our obligations, and the spirit of the world. We know our boundaries, our population, and our place among the nations, and also what is most important—that no millennialistic manifestations are now in evidence anywhere. Force is still the way; and we must be prepared to meet force with force if we would preserve what as a nation we have established and are so proud of.

Thomas A. Edison is quoted as saying that the navy's board of expert engineers, of which he is a member, will not engage in the work of practical invention, but will consider ideas in an advisory capacity. If the inventors manage to perfect an advisory system that reduces the consumption of red tape they will accomplish something not unworthy of a nation's gratitude.

It may cheer Mr. Foss to observe that many a stalwart prohibitionist has been beaten for office without causing any serious setback to the growth of prohibition sentiment throughout the country. A good prohibitionist is not necessarily a good politician or a great statesman.

In considering some of Mr. Henry Ford's comments on current conditions, there is no lack of deference or esteem in remembering that he is pre-eminent as a motor manufacturer and not as a political economist.

Navy Yard Wage Scale.

The expectation is reasonable that the machinists in the Washington navy yard will share in the wage increase that has come to the machinists in other parts of the United States in consequence of the industrial uplift caused by war contracts and other factors. Naturally it has been a matter of discontent among the machinists at the navy yard that their services were worth considerably more in private plants outside of Washington than in the government ordnance shops at the Washington navy yard. There has been a strong temptation to the men without family or property ties to leave the government service here. This would be a loss to the government

and in the long run it might not prove a benefit to the men. It has been credibly reported that many machinists have left the government service in other cities.

The wage board which was detailed to inquire into the wage scale paid at various big private steel ordnance plants with a view to bringing the Washington navy yard wage rate into agreement with the private scale has returned its report, and that report is now in the hands of the Secretary of the Navy. The findings of the board have not officially been made public, but for months it has been a matter of common understanding that there has been a marked increase in the pay of workers in the private plants turning out steel products and ordnance as well as in other plants employing machinists.

At a meeting which is scheduled to take place on Monday between the Secretary of the Navy and a committee representing the navy yard machinists it is hoped that the differences which have existed and which still exist between the Navy Department and the navy yard workers will be adjusted.

Courtesy of the Railway Men.

The patience and courtesy of the street railway employees in Washington are being favorably commented upon, and although these good manners have not been assumed by the conductors and the motormen especially for this encampment it would seem that either spontaneously or by agreement among the street car men they are showing a greater consideration than usual for the old soldiers and their wives, helping them on and off the cars, and reducing or modifying their commands of "Step lively" and "Move up front."

Courtesy is an individual and a civic asset, and by this token is worthy of preservation and constant practice. The public servants of Washington, those employees of the public service corporations and of the city and national government whose duties bring them into close touch with the people, measure up to the best standard of conduct, and it is only fair that this quality should be now and then commended as encouragement to those who always practice courtesy and as a stimulus to those who have occasional lapses. Perhaps in no other city do the street railway employees, the city police, the park police and the watchmen in the tourist-haunted buildings have so many demands made upon them for miscellaneous information as in the Capital of the Nation.

The Model City.

If Washington is not already the model city it is certain to reach that proud estate. Among all the people of Washington interested in civic betterment, and that includes practically the whole citizen body of the District, there is a constant striving to make Washington a city which all other cities may take as an example and a pattern. Among all the people of other cities interested in civic improvement there is a general expectation, if not a demand, that the capital be the model city. In the news columns of The Star the secretary of the American Civic Association has been quoted as saying that "the whole country is looking more and more to Washington, its capital, as a model in respect to physical growth and administration of a city."

Washington should be able to show all other cities the correct thing in city management, in police, fire and sanitary efficiency, in the paving and upkeep of streets, in the care of parks, in the administration of organized charity, in public lighting, in traffic regulation, in urban transit, in building regulations and the many other municipal functions and activities.

The North sea trawlers have had their discouragements, but the resourcefulness of John Bull is such that he regards it as a bad day's fishing when he comes back from sea with anything less than a cargo of Chicago beef.

American inventors have done so much conspicuous and meritorious work that any reference, in foreign correspondence, to Yankees as mentally inferior may easily be interpreted as playful irony.

Nothing could have been more inconsiderate from every point of view than the willingness of the Turks to complicate European affairs still further by the massacre of Armenian Christians.

Next summer the outdoor lecturer is in danger of being crowded off the platform by the campaign spell-binder.

Mr. Marshall and Next Year.

This is from an interview with the Vice President after his call at the White House the other day:

"Will the democrats nominate the same team next year?"

"I don't know. I'm for Wilson. The party has the right to nominate any one it wants for Vice President. I shall not ask it to nominate me."

Mr. Marshall's is the dignified, the diplomatic, the common-sense view of the matter. It is for his party to say. If it is pleased with his services it can command them further.

Will it command them? Why not? Has he not served in his place as satisfactorily to it as Mr. Wilson in his? His temperament and equipment, it is true, are not associated with the office he holds any more than they would be with a place on the bench. He has snap and wit, and a natural taste for a scrap. He speaks well, and as do all men with the gift likes to exercise it. Sitting in the presiding officer's chair, gavel in hand,

and with the privilege and duty only of keeping his ears open, cannot afford him entertainment, much less satisfaction.

Still, Mr. Marshall has filled his office most acceptably to both sides of the chamber. His rulings have been fair, and his general bearing such as to make an excellent impression.

Probably the only reason why another running mate for Mr. Wilson has been suggested grows out of the condition of Senator Shively's health, which is not satisfactory. Although doing his full part at the last session of Congress, Mr. Shively was much under the weather, and since Congress adjourned has been something of an invalid. Should he regain his strength, as all hope he may, he will, of course, go on with his duties. His term has several years to run. But if his physician should advise against further activity in so exacting a field he may retire.

In that event there would be two senatorships in the scale in Indiana. Mr. Kern's successor will be chosen next year, and the senator will stand for re-election.

Should Mr. Marshall leave the presiding officer's chair in the Senate for a seat on the floor he would enjoy himself and add to the ginger in the chamber. He has very definite views about things, and the habit of candid, and the faculty of breezy, expression. And there is now so much going, and all of it of a nature to appeal to a man fitted for and fond of discussion, Mr. Marshall would bear a hand and a tongue worthy of the Senate's and the country's attention.

Urging National Defense.

In view of the approaching conference in Washington on national defense, which will be participated in by veterans, the National Defense League, the Navy League, the National Rifle Association and affiliated defense societies, it is worthy of note that considerable strength has been given to the national defense movement during the encampment. Near the conclusion of his term of office as commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., and in addressing his comrades, David J. Palmer said:

"It is our belief that the G. A. R. will stand with President Wilson for the peace of humanity without the surrender of American rights on land or sea. If we maintain an independent existence as a nation, we must maintain a national force."

This is unquestionably the attitude of the men who know more about the horrors of war than the great majority of the present advocates of unpreparedness and peace at any price.

As a diplomat Dr. Dumba will probably have to disappoint any interviewer who meets him on his arrival at home for the purpose of ascertaining his impressions of America.

It may be difficult to dissuade some of the men in Congress from an impression that there is never a time when the tariff does not need revision.

Haiti is less inclined to insist that if it cannot govern itself there shall be no government.

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

Missing No Tricks.

"People are saying that you do not stand a ghost of a show at the next election."

"Good idea!" responded Senator Sorghum. "I have tried to get the influence of about every other organization. Maybe we can do something with the Society for Psychic Research."

Formidable Possibility.

Some day from strife we'll find release,
And shun the battle stroke;
But will we have to wait for peace
Till everybody's broke?

"I got my suspicions," said Uncle Eben, "dat Satan ain' 'bliged to lay in wait for a whole lot of people. Dey takes der checkbooks in hand an' natchelly pesters him to name his own price for temptations."

The Soft Answer.

"A soft answer turns away wrath, you know."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne; "but you want to beware of the person who has cultivated his powers of dissimulation sufficiently to be always able to give one."

Summing Up Results.

"Did your garden help you out any with your supplies for the winter?"

"Yes. Some of the tools will make pretty good implements for tending the furnace."

Protest From Hortense.

"I think that father has a nerve," exclaimed Hortense Magee, "to flout the coffee that I serve And criticize the tea. For father goes into the woods A little rest to win, And lives for weeks upon the goods That are preserved in tin. And tilts it on the fire The mixture that he brews is not A beverage to admire. His coffee is a pallid buff Through which the grounds run loose; His tea is a pathetic bluff, And tastes like junon juice. The biscuit that he bakes with glee Are hard as granite blocks. The bacon, too, appears to be Chipped out of sandstone rocks. I'm weary of the sad pretense From which he will not swerve; Again I say," exclaimed Hortense, "That father has a nerve!"

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